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Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director, Intelligence Community Staff

25X1 FROM: [REDACTED]
Vice Chairman

25X1 SUBJECT: CIPC Monthly Report--December 1983 [REDACTED]

25X1 1. The Committee did not convene in December; however, in order to maintain Committee cognizance of ongoing activities we provided the members a Status and Activities Report covering the projects and activities the Committee and staff is currently addressing. Our next regular monthly meeting will be scheduled for late January or early February 1984. [REDACTED]

International Terrorism:

25X1 2. In a memorandum of 28 November 1983, the DCI tasked the CIPC to initiate a "fast-track" baseline review on how the Intelligence Community is handling, and organized to handle, this growing problem. In response to the DCI's tasking to provide an interim report by Christmas Eve, we convened an ad hoc working group consisting of Community experts on this subject. The ad hoc Working Group's interim report was forwarded to the DCI on 23 December 1983. The Committee will now establish a working group to undertake a detailed study of all intelligence aspects of the terrorism problem to include collection, dissemination, production and probably, and most importantly, coordination.

Soviet Ballistic Missile Defenses:

25X1 3. The DCI has also tasked the CIPC to undertake a "fast-track study" on Soviet strategic defensive missile developments. He specifically requested that the CIPC evaluate the size and scope of the Soviet commitment to ballistic missile defense, and to identify gaps and to recommend collection and production initiatives to improve the level of reporting on this intelligence problem. Additionally, we have been tasked to provide the DCI an interim report by 16 January 1984, followed by a final report to the DCI within 4-6 weeks. [REDACTED]

25X1 4. In an effort to meet the production timelines for the initial report, we have convened a small task force composed of Intelligence Community experts on this subject. The task force has developed a Terms of Reference (TOR) for this study. Subsequent to CIPC coordination, the interim report will be provided to you and the DCI by 16 January 1984. [REDACTED]

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5. The study was approved by the DCI and concurred upon by the NFIC principals at the 14 December NFIC meeting. The staff is presently fine tuning the report in accordance with NFIC recommendations. Our next step is to have the report, at both classification levels, printed and disseminated for implementation within the next couple of weeks.

Narcotics Study:

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6. This study is also undergoing final typing and editorial review. It should be ready in early January 1984 for forwarding to the DCI. One of the many purposes of this report was to satisfy an SSCI requirement for the DDCI to provide them a report by 31 December on the Intelligence Community's progress and activities in supporting the US narcotics interdiction program. Because of the mechanics involved (Community coordination, DCI approval, etc.), it was becoming increasingly difficult to meet the 31 December date. We therefore requested and were granted a 30-day extension by the SSCI.

Soviet CBW Intelligence Problem

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8. The CIPC Staff is finalizing a Terms of Reference (TOR) and a discussion paper for initiating a study on Soviet CBW. The draft TOR and discussion paper will be forwarded to the CIPC principals for their review and comment in the immediate future. During our investigation of this subject, strong Community support was expressed for the CIPC to form a Working group

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Target/Topic Assessments and Evaluation

9. Finally, as you know, the DCI has chartered the CIPC with a major new challenge in evaluating collection strategy mixes in relation to developing national strategy and intelligence needs. To accomplish this task, the CIPC will be supported by appropriate Intelligence Community and IC Staff elements and by an ad hoc group composed of senior officials representing the Program Managers. The resultant evaluations will be submitted to the NFIB and NFIC for substantive and programmatic review. We will then, in conjunction with the appropriate committees, examine the adequacy and balance of the collection mix against each target/topic. In an effort to implement this new charter, the Chairman, CIPC, will soon be convening a planning session of appropriate senior Intelligence Community and Collection Committee representatives to

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establish the definition of mix assessment, methodologies, and a schedule for processing. Miss Page plans to submit to the DCI a detailed plan and time table for accomplishing the foregoing by the end of January 1984.

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